

MID-COLUMBIA – KLICKITAT SUMMER STEELHEAD

STOCK STATUS

1992 STATUS	2002 STATUS
Unknown	Unknown

STOCK STATUS RATING DATA

There are no adequate abundance trend data available for Klickitat summer steelhead, so their status is **Unknown** in 2002. An escapement goal of 2,965 has been established for this stock. The limited spawner survey work that has been done has shown very low utilization of the spawning habitat.

STOCK DEFINITION

Klickitat summer steelhead were identified as a stock based on their distinct spawning distribution.

SPAWNING TIMING: Most spawning takes place in the Klickitat and Little Klickitat rivers. Spawning also occurs in Swale, White and Trout creeks and their tributaries.

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GENETIC ANALYSIS: Allozyme analysis of summer steelhead from several locations in the Klickitat system from 1991 through 1994 clustered them with summer steelhead in the White Salmon River (Phelps et al. 1997).

STOCK ORIGIN

This is a **native** stock with **wild** production. The Klickitat mainstem has been planted with non-native hatchery summer steelhead from the Skamania Hatchery on a yearly basis since 1960. There is concern about the genetic impact of potential interbreeding between Skamania fish and wild summer steelhead.